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APPLICANT: DESHOTEL TITLE: Improved Welding Machine
SERIAL NO.: 09/517,258 ART UNIT: 1725
FILING DATE: March 2, 2000 EXAMINER: Z. Pittman
DOCKET NO.: 9468.001

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF DRAWING INCONSISTENCY

The Hon. Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification ("Notice") mailed May 10, 2004, requiring that a response be mailed to the Office by June 10, 2004. Applicant believes this response to be timely; however, if any extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor. No additional fees are believed to be due at this time. However, if any are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge those to Deposit Account 18-2210.

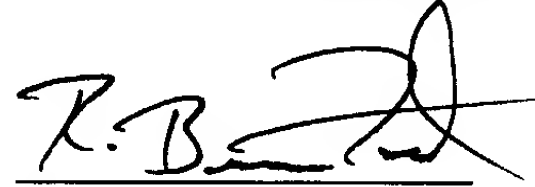
The Notice indicated that there was an inconsistency between the drawings in the application and the specification. In particular, the notice indicated that the drawings included a Figure 2b, but the Brief Description of the Drawings section of the application makes no mention of Figure 2b. The drawings are correct. The Brief Description of the Drawings section should include the following description:

Figure 2b illustrates a detailed view of the preferred embodiment of a connection between a support flange and an arm flange as shown in figure 2.

The applicant would be most grateful if the Commissioner or his agents in the Publication Division would correct the application to include the foregoing description in the Brief Description of the Drawings section. If any additional information or authorization is required, please contact the undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

Dated: May 28, 2004

Respectfully submitted:

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